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EPA Roundtable Discussion for Environmental Justice Communities on the Benefits of Addressing Climate Change

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**U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 5
Ralph Metcalfe Federal Building, Lake Michigan Room
77 West Jackson Blvd, Chicago, IL 60604**

Objectives:

- Explore benefits and opportunities for communities to address climate change
- Discuss economic and employment opportunities from energy efficiency (EE) and renewable energy (RE) programs
- Share community success stories and resources on the pathways to reduce carbon pollution
- Engage in dialogue with stakeholders to seek common ground in addressing climate change and the Clean Power Plan (CPP) and Clean Energy Incentive Program (CEIP)

(Morning Session) - DISCUSSION ON CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENERGY

8:00 am	Arrival and Registration
8:30 am - 9:00 am	Welcome and Introductions: <i>Facilitator: Vernice Miller-Travis, Skeo Solutions and Laura McKelvey, U.S. EPA, OAR</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Matthew Tejada, Director, U.S. EPA, Office of Environmental Justice (OEJ)- Alan Walts, Director, U.S. EPA Region 5, Office of Environmental Compliance and Enforcement
9:00 am - 9:20 am	Key Steps in Addressing Climate Change: <i>(Adaptation, EE/RE resources, CPP)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- William Niebling, Senior Advisor for Congressional and International Affairs, U.S. EPA, Office of Air and Radiation (OAR)
9:20 am - 10:20 am	Taking Action on Climate Change at the Community Level <i>Provide case studies of community programs that address both the causes and impacts of climate change.</i> <i>Session Chair: Andrea Denny, U.S. EPA, Office of Atmospheric Programs</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Community Perspectives on Addressing Climate Change (panel)<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Reverend Otis Moss III, Trinity United Church of Christ- Reverend Rodrick Burton, New Northside Missionary Baptist Church- Marcus Mills, Organizing Coordinator for Community Power in Minnesota- Cheryl Johnson, People for Community Recovery- Meg Kelly, Healthy School Campaign- Juliana Pino, Little Village Environmental Justice Organization
10:20 am - 11:20am	Economic, Employment and Resources Opportunities <i>Provide resources and examples of EE/RE job training programs for low-income, minority communities.</i> <i>Session Chair: Lena Epps-Price, U.S. EPA, OAR</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Stakeholder Perspectives (panel)<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Phil Hull, Community Housing Partners- Jamez Staples, Renewable Energy Partners- Dawone Robinson, National Resource Council Defense- Sydney Snow, Green for All
11:20 am - 12:20pm	Community Roundtable <i>Session Chair: Victoria Robinson, U.S. EPA, OEJ</i>
12:20 pm - 1:35 pm	Lunch on your own

(Afternoon Session) - TRAINING FOR COMMUNITIES ON THE CEIP PROPOSAL

1:35 pm - 2:35 pm	Eco-Café – An opportunity to learn from experts about the availability of different tools and resources and to share experiences from other communities
2:35 pm - 3:45 pm	<p>Overview of the Clean Energy Incentive Program (CEIP) and a Facilitated Dialogue with Stakeholders on the CEIP</p> <p><i>EPA staff will provide an overview of the CEIP and community leaders/stakeholders will share personal perspectives on opportunities for the CPP and CEIP.</i></p> <p><i>Facilitator: Vernice Miller-Travis, Skeo Solutions</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Kevin Culligan, U.S. EPA, OAR - Dr. Tina Ndoh, U.S. EPA, OAR - Dr. Cecilia Martinez, Center for Earth, Energy and Democracy - Khalil Shahyd, National Resource Council Defense - Cecil Corbin-Mark, WE ACT for Environmental Justice - Dr. Deidre Sanders, Pacific Gas & Electric - Dr. Nicky Sheats, New Jersey Environmental Justice Alliance
3:45 pm - 4:15 pm	<p>Community Roundtable Discussion</p> <p><i>Facilitator: Vernice Miller-Travis, Skeo Solutions</i></p>
4:15 pm - 5:15 pm	<p>Overview of the Public Comment Process: (Introduction, Rules of Engagement, Importance)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Laura McKelvey, U.S. EPA, OAR <p>Preparation of Public Comments</p> <p><i>Participants will break-out into smaller groups to prepare public comments</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Facilitator: Vernice Miller-Travis, Skeo Solutions</i>
5:15 pm - 5:30 pm	<p>Closing Plenary & Discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Facilitator: Vernice Miller-Travis, Skeo Solutions</i> - <i>Matthew Tejada, U.S. EPA, OEJ</i>